

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 14 and 15. By this Amendment Applicant has also modified the independent claims to further require that there be a plurality of positioning protrusions wherein all of the plurality of positioning protrusions are positioned in some of the plurality of positioning recesses when the first part and the second part are fixed to each other. Applicant respectfully submits that the prior art references of record, whether considered alone, or in combination, fail to either teach or suggest Applicants device as now claimed. More specifically, Applicant notes that the Ishikawa is merely directed to a position defining device which fits a clicking projection in a desired clicking groove that is provided at a predetermined pitch. In contrast with the invention as now claimed, Ishikawa actually teaches that there should be a plurality of clicking projections and that only some of the clicking projections are located in corresponding clicking grooves. See, for example, Figures 2 and 3, and the corresponding written description in column 1 at lines 10-15.

As noted in Ishikawa, the projections of the clicking projection members alternately fit into the grooves of the groove array 1 so that a fixed position of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pitch of the grooves in the clicking groove array is provided. As noted above, Applicant's claimed invention requires that all of the positioning protrusions are positioned in positioning recesses and neither Ishikawa nor any other reference of record teaches this device. In fact, Ishikawa teaches away from the claimed subject matter. Accordingly, the obviousness rejection cannot be sustained.

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Accordingly, in light of the foregoing, Applicant requests that the Examiner
withdraw the rejections and allow all claims in the application.

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